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PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE IN NATURAL GAS CASE

Jefferson City (December 18, 2003)---Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE and Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks-MPS and Aquila Networks-L&P have filed a joint application seeking Commission authority for the transfer of certain natural gas assets from Aquila to AmerenUE.

Aquila is seeking Commission authority to transfer its natural gas distribution system providing service to approximately 4,200 customers in the Rolla, Salem and Owensville areas to AmerenUE.

The application states the proposed sale of the system will not be detrimental to the public interest because the sale will not result in any reduced level of service or reliability for those customers presently served by Aquila. According to the application, AmerenUE will integrate the system with its natural gas operations in Missouri.

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed on or before December 29, 2003, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: Thomas M. Byrne, 1901 Chouteau Avenue, P.O. Box 66149 (MC 1310), St. Louis, Missouri 63166-6149; Dean L. Cooper, Brydon, Swearingen & England, 312 East Capitol Avenue, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0456; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency which represents the general public in matters before the Public Service Commission.

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